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In re application of: Ralph W. Emerson, et al.
Serial No.: 08/977,644
Filed: November 24, 1997
For: **USE OF AROMATIC ALDEHYDES AS
INSECTICIDES AND FOR KILLING
ARACHNIDS**

) Examiner: Levy, N.

) Art Unit: 1616

) **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 27, 2000, and is submitted on or before the end of the one (1) month extended time period ending at March 27, 2001 the time period for response having been extended by the attached petition for extension of time and the requisite fee. Applicants submit herewith the following amendments and remarks and respectfully request reconsideration and re-examination of the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to make the following amendments.

In the Claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for [controlling] killing an insect or an arachnid population, said method comprising:
contacting said insect or arachnid population with an effective pest growth

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